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1. FOLLOWING IS TRANSLATION OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED
MORNING OF MARCH 31 AT CONCLUSION OF ENTENTE SUMMIT.

2. QTE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF PERIODIC MEETINGS BETWEEN
CHIEFS OF STATE OF THE ENTENTE COUNCIL,
QTE - HIS EXCELLENCY FELIX HOUPHOUET BIOGNY, PRESIDENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF IVORY COAST
QTE - HIS EXCELLENCY GENERAL EL HADJ ABOUBACAR SANGOULE
LAMIZANA, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF UPPER VOLTA
QTE - HIS EXCELLENCY LIEUTENANT-COLONEL SEYNI KOUNTCHE,
PRESIDENT OF THE SUPREME MILITARY COUNCIL, CHIEF OF STATE
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QTE - HIS EXCELLENCY GENERAL GNASSINGBE EYADEMA, PRESIDENT
OF THE TOGOLESE REPUBLIC,
MET IN OUAGADOUGOU FROM MARCH 30 TO MARCH 31, 1977, UNDER
THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE PRESIDENT OF TOGO, WHO IS THE
CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF THE ENTENTE COUNCIL.

QTE DURING THEIR DISCUSSIONS, THE CHIEFS OF STATE
REVIEWED VARIOUS QUESTIONS ON COOPERATION WITHIN THE ENTENTE

COUNCIL AND MADE A BROAD SURVEY OF THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN THE SUB-REGION, IN AFRICA, AND IN THE WORLD. QTE THEY GAVE PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO CURRENT CRISES AND TO ALL THE CONFLICTS IN WHICH OUR CONTINENT IS INVOLVED, ESPECIALLY IN CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN AFRICA. QTE IN THIS REGARD, THEY REAFFIRMED THEIR SOLIDARITY WITH ALL THE PEOPLES FIGHTING FOR THEIR RIGHTS. QTE THEY EMPHASIZED THEIR STRONG INDIGNATION AT THE MURDER OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE POPULAR REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO AND CONDEMNED POLITICAL ASSASSINATIONS. QTE THEY NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THE EXCELLENT COOPERATIVE RELATIONS WHICH HAVE ALWAYS EXISTED BETWEEN THEIR COUNTRIES AND THE SIMILARITY OF THEIR VIEWS ON ALL THE PROBLEMS THEY DISCUSSED. QTE CONCERNING ECONOMIC COOPERATION WITHIN THE ENTENTE COUNCIL, THEY REVIEWED PROJECTS OF COMMON INTEREST. THEY EXPRESSED THEIR APPRECIATION FOR THE RESULTS ACHIEVED TO DATE AND DECIDED TO INCREASE THEIR EFFORTS FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR COUNTRIES. QTE THEY RENEWED THEIR FAITH IN ALL THE SUB-REGIONAL AND REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH ARE ESSENTIAL TOOLS FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION. QTE CONCERNING THE PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA, THEY STRONGLY CONDEMNED THE HATEFUL SYSTEM OF RACIAL SEGREGATION AND REAFFIRMED THEIR SUPPORT OF THE UN RESOLUTIONS CALLING FOR TOTAL AND IMMEDIATE INDEPENDENCE FOR NAMIBIA. QTE THEY REAFFIRMED THEIR SUPPORT OF THE STRUGGLE OF THE NAMIBIAN PEOPLE, BUT DEPLORED THE FAILURE OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE TO SOLVE THE ZIMBABWE PROBLEM. THEY UNCLASSIFIED

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HAILED THE EFFORTS PRESENTLY BEING MADE IN ORDER TO FIND A SOLUTION TO THIS PROBLEM QTE AFTER AN ANALYSIS OF ALL THE PROBLEMS WHICH PREOCCUPY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, IN PARTICULAR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW WORLD ECONOMIC ORDER, THEY EXPRESSED THEIR WISH THAT ALL NATIONS WORK TOWARD MORE JUSTICE AND EQUITY SO THAT DEEP AND DURABLE PEACE MAY REIGN IN THE WORLD. QTE AT THE END OF THE MEETING, WHICH TOOK PLACE IN A FRIENDLY AND FRATERNAL ATMOSPHERE, THE CHIEFS OF STATE OF IFORY COAST, NIGER AND TOGO EXPRESSED THEIR WARM THANKS TO HIS EXCELLENCY GENERAL EL HADJ ABOUBACAR SANGOULE LAMIZANA, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF UPPER VOLTA, TO THE GOVERNMENT AND TO THE VOLTAN PEOPLE FOR THE WARM AND GENUINELY AFRICAN WELCOME WHICH THEY HAVE RECEIVED. UNQTE. GRAHAM

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